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**U.S. House of Representatives**  
**Washington, DC 20515**

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Chairman David Obey  
House Appropriations Committee  
H-218, the Capitol  
Washington, DC 20515

Ranking Member Jerry Lewis  
House Appropriations Committee  
1016 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Obey & Ranking Member Lewis:

I am requesting \$14,760,000.00 for Widening of Alabama Highway 157 and Lake Catoma Bridge, Cullman, AL in fiscal year 2010. The entity to receive funding for this project is City of Cullman, located at P.O. Box 278, Cullman, AL 35056. The funding would be used to widen the last stretch of Hwy 157 to be four-laned. This request includes the area from the intersection of Highway 157 and Highway 31 to the intersection with Hwy 278. It also includes the bridge over Lake Catoma. Taxpayer Justification: This project addresses safety issues on Hwy 157. These 5 miles experience significant traffic from the regional hospital, industrial park, and other areas. Traffic congestion on this road is an every day occurrence and safety concern.

I certify that neither I nor my spouse has any direct financial interest in this project.

Also, I hereby certify that this request will be made publicly available on my Official Website as required by Chairman Obey's new Committee policy that only posted requests will be considered.

Consistent with the Republican Leadership's policy on earmarks, I hereby certify that to the best of my knowledge this request (1) is not directed to an entity or program that will be named after a sitting Member of Congress; (2) is not intended to be used by an entity to secure funds for other entities unless the use of funding is consistent with the specified purpose of the earmark; and (3) meets or exceeds all statutory requirements for matching funds where applicable. I further certify that should this request be included in the bill, I will place a statement in the Congressional Record describing how the funds will be spent and justifying the use of federal taxpayer funds.

Sincerely,

Robert B. Aderholt